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Applicants are in receipt of the Communication mailed January 23, 2004 holding the above-cited application abandoned in view of Applicants' alleged failure to respond to the Official Action mailed June 5, 2003.

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Respectfully submitted,

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